

Climate change adaptation: Weighing strategies for heat-related health challenges

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Abstract:

Many public health impacts have been predicted for climate change, but there has been relatively little exploration of ways to minimize the risks and develop long-term adaptation strategies. A new overview outlines the critical elements needed to address one such impact: heat-related illnesses and deaths, which are expected to increase with more frequent and more intense heat waves [EHP 121(4):415–419; http://dx.doi.org/1206025].

Source: http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3620744

Resource Description

Exposure: M

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Temperature

Temperature: Extreme Heat

Geographic Feature: M

resource focuses on specific type of geography

None or Unspecified

Geographic Location:

resource focuses on specific location

Global or Unspecified

Health Co-Benefit/Co-Harm (Adaption/Mitigation): ☐

specification of beneficial or harmful impacts to health resulting from efforts to reduce or cope with greenhouse gases

A focus of content

Health Impact: M

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

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General Health Impact

Intervention: M

strategy to prepare for or reduce the impact of climate change on health

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Mitigation/Adaptation: ™

mitigation or adaptation strategy is a focus of resource

Adaptation, Mitigation

Resource Type: **☑**

format or standard characteristic of resource

Policy/Opinion

Timescale: M

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified